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## **I. Organizational and other matters**

### **A. States parties to the Convention**

1. On 22 April 2016, the closing date of the twenty-fourth session of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, there were 48 States parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families. The Convention was adopted by the General Assembly in resolution 45/158 on 18 December 1990 and entered into force on 1 July 2003, in accordance with the provisions of its article 87 (1).

2. A list of States that have signed, ratified or acceded to the Convention is contained in annex I. The updated status of the Convention, together with the texts of declarations and reservations and other relevant information, can be found in the United Nations Treaty Collection online at <http://treaties.un.org>, which is maintained by the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs, which discharges the depositary functions of the Secretary-General.

### **B. Meetings and sessions**

3. The Committee held its twenty-third session at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 31 August to 9 September 2015. The session consisted of 16 plenary meetings (see [CMW/C/SR.291-306](#)). The provisional agenda ([CMW/C/23/1](#)) was adopted by the Committee at its 291st meeting, on 31 August 2015.

4. The Committee held its twenty-fourth session at the United Nations Office at Geneva from 11 to 22 April 2016. The session consisted of 19 plenary meetings (see [CMW/C/SR.307-325](#)). The provisional agenda ([CMW/C/24/1](#)) was adopted by the Committee at its 307th meeting, on 11 April 2016.

### **C. Membership and attendance**

5. All the members of the Committee attended its twenty-third session, except for Md. Shahidul Haque. Abdelhamid el-Jamri was absent on 4 September 2015.

6. All the members of the Committee attended its twenty-fourth session, except for Mr. Haque. Pablo Ceriani Cernadas and Maria Landazuri de Mora were absent for three days and Marco Núñez-Melgar Maguiña was absent for four days.

7. The list of the members of the Committee as at 22 April 2016, together with the duration of their terms of office, is provided in annex II to the present report.

### **D. Solemn declaration**

8. At the seventh meeting of the States parties, held at United Nations Headquarters in New York on 30 June 2015, seven members of the Committee were elected to replace those whose terms of office expired on 31 December 2015, in accordance with article 72 (1)-(5) of the Convention. At the opening of the 307th meeting (twenty-fourth session), on 11 April 2016, the newly elected members, who will serve from 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2019, made the solemn declaration in accordance with rule 11 of the Committee's rules of procedures. The newly elected members are Jasminka Dzumhur (Bosnia and Herzegovina), Maria Landazuri de Mora (Ecuador) and Can Ünver (Turkey).

The re-elected members are Ahmed el-Borai (Egypt), Abdelhamid el-Jamri (Morocco), Khedidja Ladjel (Algeria) and Marco Alberto Núñez-Melgar Maguiña (Peru).

## **E. Election of officers**

9. At its twenty-fourth session, the Committee elected the following officers for a term of two years, in accordance with rule 12 of its rules of procedure:

*Chair:* José Serrano **Brillantes**

*Vice-Chairs:* Pablo **Ceriani Cernadas**  
Fatoumata Abdourhamane **Dicko**  
Jasminka **Dzumhur**

*Rapporteur:* Abdelhamid **el-Jamri**

10. The former officers who served from 2014 to 2015 included Francisco Carrión Mena (Chair); José Serrano Brillantes, Azad Taghi Zada and Ahmadou Tall (Vice-Chairs); and Salomé Castellanos Delgado (Rapporteur).

## **F. Future meetings of the Committee**

11. The twenty-fifth session of the Committee will be held from 29 August to 7 September 2016 at the United Nations Office at Geneva.

12. The twenty-sixth session of the Committee will be held for a two-week period in April 2017 at the United Nations Office at Geneva. The dates have not yet been confirmed.

## **G. Participation in the twenty-seventh meeting of the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies**

13. The Chair of the Committee participated in the twenty-seventh meeting of the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies, held in San José from 22 to 26 June 2015 (see [A/70/302](#)). The Chairs discussed the implementation of General Assembly resolution [68/268](#) on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system, as well as follow-up to the recommendations made at their twenty-sixth meeting. They also endorsed the Guidelines against Intimidation or Reprisals (the San José Guidelines). Those guidelines set out the responses available to the treaty bodies, both individually and as a system, in dealing with acts of intimidation or reprisal against individuals or groups who cooperate with the committees. The Chairs also took advantage of the fact that they were in San José to meet with representatives of the Inter-American Commission of Human Rights, the Inter-American Court on Human Rights, several national human rights institutions and a large number of civil society entities from the region. The meeting provided the treaty body system with a singular opportunity to engage closely with human rights actors in the Latin America and Caribbean region with a view to enhancing mutual cooperation. In addition, the Chairs adopted a joint statement on human rights and the post-2015 development agenda (see [A/70/302](#), annex I). The reports and information on the annual meetings of the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies may be found online.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> See [www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/AnnualMeeting/Pages/MeetingChairpersons.aspx](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/AnnualMeeting/Pages/MeetingChairpersons.aspx).



## H. General comments and general discussion days

14. The Committee and the Committee on the Rights of the Child developed a concept note on a joint general comment on the human rights of children in the context of international migration, including background information, objectives, scope and proposed themes. Written contributions were requested from stakeholders and a joint working group was established. Information on the joint general comment may be found on the webpage of the Committee.<sup>2</sup> At the twenty-fourth session, it was reported that over 60 submissions from various stakeholders had been received. In addition, a meeting was held with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and members of the working group to discuss the way forward with respect to elaborating a draft and the organization of regional consultations. A meeting was also held with several civil society organizations on the theme of children in the context of international migration.

## I. Promotion of the Convention

15. During the seventh meeting of States parties, which was held in New York on 30 June 2015, a panel discussion was held to mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of the adoption of the Convention. The event was well attended and provoked an interesting discussion, with a number of States parties and others taking the floor to address, in particular, the benefits of ratifying the Convention. The event was organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Ecuador, El Salvador and Mexico to the United Nations. The Committee thanks these States parties for their support in promoting the Convention.

16. OHCHR assisted in organizing several side events during the June 2015 session of the Human Rights Council focusing on European Union border management,<sup>3</sup> migrants in situations of crisis and migrant workers' right to health in collaboration with civil society partners, including Migrant Forum in Asia, Migrants Rights International and the Global Coalition on Migration.

17. During its twenty-third session, the Committee held a half-day event marking the twenty-fifth anniversary of the adoption of the Convention, organized by OHCHR with the support of the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung.<sup>4</sup> The event attracted 200 participants, among whom were representatives of 40 permanent missions, including permanent missions of States not parties to the Convention. Several intergovernmental organizations were also represented, including the European Union, the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and the League of Arab States; numerous agencies, including the International Labour Organization (ILO), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, UNICEF and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR); the Sovereign Military Order of Malta; and many civil society actors, including Amnesty International and Caritas Internationalis. The panellists made contributions from the perspective of States, civil society and ILO, which has a special status under the Convention, on the very topical and complex phenomenon of mixed migration flows, in particular with respect to the Mediterranean crisis, including the specific situation of unaccompanied migrant children in the Americas and the abusive and exploitative conditions experienced by migrant workers in the Gulf countries. An art exhibit entitled "Visions from the inside" explored the visions and realities of child migrants in detention. The event was organized by OHCHR with the

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<sup>2</sup> See [www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CMW/Pages/JointGeneralCommentonChildren.aspx](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CMW/Pages/JointGeneralCommentonChildren.aspx).

<sup>3</sup> See [www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/ProtectingRightsOfMigrants.aspx](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/ProtectingRightsOfMigrants.aspx).

<sup>4</sup> See <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CMW/Pages/DGD25thAnniversary.aspx>.

support and collaboration of the International Detention Coalition, the Step It Up campaign of the Migrant Forum in Asia, CultureStrike and End Immigration Detention of Children.

18. The Committee also adopted two press statements during its twenty-third session, one on the situation of Syrian migrants<sup>5</sup> and one on the global migration crisis.<sup>6</sup> One statement was picked up by the international press. Interviews with the Chair and two members also took place during the twenty-third session, pointing to an increase in media attention regarding the Committee's work. In October 2015, Mr. Tall was interviewed for an article on migrants and human dignity in the Italian daily *Il Fatto Quotidiano*.<sup>7</sup> The Committee also issued a statement at its twenty-fourth session on the deaths of migrants in the Mediterranean Sea.<sup>8</sup>

19. An anniversary event held in New York on 30 September 2015 was organized by OHCHR and civil society partners, including the International Detention Coalition, the Step It Up campaign of the Migrant Forum in Asia, Caritas Internationalis, Terre des Hommes, Destination Unknown and United Methodist Women.<sup>9</sup> This event featured speakers, including OHCHR staff, focusing on the rights of migrant children and families in the context of international migration, in particular with respect to detention. Two films were screened at the event: *I Am Not Here*, produced by OHCHR, which explores the vulnerabilities of migrant domestic workers and their families; and *A Tale of Two Children*, produced by UNHCR and End Child Immigration Detention, which explores child-sensitive alternatives to detention. The art exhibit entitled "Visions from the inside" that had been held in Geneva (see para. 17 above) was also held in New York, where it coincided with the Secretary-General's dialogue on migration at Headquarters.

20. On 28 and 29 September 2015, OHCHR held a global seminar in Bangkok on the human rights of migrant domestic workers in an irregular situation.<sup>10</sup> The global seminar gathered more than 70 experts, including the Chair of the Committee. During the global seminar, OHCHR launched a publication on the protection and promotion of the human rights of migrant domestic workers in an irregular situation.<sup>11</sup> In that publication, OHCHR highlights the particular vulnerability of migrant domestic workers who are undocumented, explores the international human rights legal framework, including the Convention, and underscores the guidance provided by the Committee in its general comment No. 1 (2010) on migrant domestic workers.

21. A joint publication entitled *Migration, Human Rights and Governance* was launched by the International Parliamentary Union (IPU) at its 121st assembly, in October 2015.<sup>12</sup> In the handbook, IPU, ILO and OHCHR provide their perspectives on international migration to assist parliamentarians in carrying out their responsibilities in respect of ensuring the protection of the rights of migrants and the governance of international migration under the rule of law. It is also meant to be used as a resource tool for government officials and civil society actors working on migration policy or with migrant workers and members of their families. The Convention is featured prominently in the handbook, which also contains information on the treaty bodies, including the Committee, and the Committee's general comments. During the IPU assembly, a booth focusing on the

<sup>5</sup> See [www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=16387&LangID=E](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=16387&LangID=E).

<sup>6</sup> See [www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=16404&LangID=E](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=16404&LangID=E).

<sup>7</sup> See [www.ilfattoquotidiano.it/2015/10/02/migranti-i-diritti-riguardano-la-dignita-umana-conversazione-con-ahmadou-tall-comitato-onu/2088565/](http://www.ilfattoquotidiano.it/2015/10/02/migranti-i-diritti-riguardano-la-dignita-umana-conversazione-con-ahmadou-tall-comitato-onu/2088565/).

<sup>8</sup> See [www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=19860&LangID=E](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=19860&LangID=E).

<sup>9</sup> See [www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CMW/Pages/AnniversaryEventNY2015.aspx](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CMW/Pages/AnniversaryEventNY2015.aspx).

<sup>10</sup> See [www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Migration/Pages/Globalseminaronworkersinanirregularsituation.aspx](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Migration/Pages/Globalseminaronworkersinanirregularsituation.aspx).

<sup>11</sup> See [www.ohchr.org/Documents/Publications/Behind\\_closed\\_doors\\_HR\\_PUB\\_15\\_4\\_EN.pdf](http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Publications/Behind_closed_doors_HR_PUB_15_4_EN.pdf).

<sup>12</sup> See [www.ipu.org/PDF/publications/migration-en.pdf](http://www.ipu.org/PDF/publications/migration-en.pdf).

Convention was set up featuring various publications on the Convention and on promoting and protecting the rights of migrant workers.

22. The Chair of the Committee attended the Global Forum on Migration and Development held in Istanbul, Turkey, from 12 to 16 October 2015. The Chair participated in two side events during the civil society days of the Forum focusing on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the adoption of the Convention, and on children's rights, criminalization and border security (sponsored by Terre des Hommes, the Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants and the International Detention Coalition). The Chair also spoke at the Common Space break-out session on partnership and action for decent labour recruitment and employment. OHCHR and members of the Steering Committee of the Global Campaign for Ratification of the Convention on Rights of Migrants also attended the Forum and were involved in side events aimed at promoting the Convention and the human rights of migrant workers and members of their families.

23. On 23 October 2015, the Chair presented the annual report of the Committee on its twenty-first and twenty-second sessions (A/70/48) to the Third Committee of the General Assembly. He took part in a joint press conference with the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants, François Crépeau, with whom he issued a joint statement calling upon the European Union to open regular and safe channels for migrants and to ensure that migrants, asylum seekers and refugees are provided with a protection response based on international law, in particular human rights law, humanitarian law and refugee law.<sup>13</sup>

24. On 2 November 2015, the Committee secretariat participated in an informal round table organized by the Permanent Missions of Indonesia, the Philippines and Uruguay to the United Nations and Human Rights Watch on improving recommendations on the rights of domestic migrant workers and on migrant workers in the context of the universal periodic review. The Permanent Mission of Brazil, ILO and the United Nations Population Fund participated in the event. The objective of the discussion was to reflect on ways to use the universal periodic review as a tool to promote better protection standards for migrant workers in States under review.

25. To mark International Migrants Day, on 18 December 2015 a joint statement was issued by the Chair of the Committee and the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants calling on all States to guarantee access to services for all migrants, ensuring equality and non-discrimination with respect to, inter alia, health, education, housing and decent work.<sup>14</sup>

26. OHCHR organized a social media campaign from 10 to 18 December 2015 to mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of the adoption of the Convention and International Migrants Day. The campaign, which was carried out in conjunction with the International Detention Coalition, focused on key human rights issues affecting migrants in transit, at borders and upon arrival in countries of destination or transit and provided a platform for migrants, migrants' rights advocates, human rights experts and practitioners from around the world to share their support for migrants' rights.

27. Also on 18 December 2015, OHCHR hosted a webinar on current challenges to and progress made in migrants' rights. The event, entitled "Migration: tackling the challenges of border control and human rights", provided viewers with a unique opportunity to hear experts discuss their work on migrants' rights and to submit questions and comments

<sup>13</sup> See [www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=16645&LangID=E](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=16645&LangID=E).

<sup>14</sup> See [www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=16886&LangID=E](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=16886&LangID=E).

directly to the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants and the panellists, which included Mr. Ceriani, member of the Committee.<sup>15</sup>

28. OHCHR organized a panel discussion on the theme “Promoting tolerance, dispelling myths, protecting rights: an evidence-based conversation on migration”, which was opened by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on the occasion of International Migrants Day.<sup>16</sup> On 3 March 2016, during the thirty-first session of the Human Rights Council, OHCHR organized a side event on migrants and the right to health. The Deputy High Commissioner provided the keynote address at that event, as well as the keynote address at a side event, held on 14 March 2016, on the OHCHR report on the situation of migrants in transit (A/HRC/31/35).

29. Members of the Committee continued to promote the Convention and the human rights of migrant workers and members of their families by: (a) participating in conferences, meetings, workshops and side events of United Nations entities and other international organizations, including OHCHR, ILO, the International Organization for Migration, the Organization of American States and civil society organizations; (b) advising States parties on treaty implementation and the reporting process; (c) contributing to publications on the human rights of migrant workers and other migration-related issues; and (d) participating in various forums with representatives of academia, students and other stakeholders.

30. In 2015 and 2016, several members of the Committee participated, with government officials and civil society representatives, in capacity-building training programmes on the Convention organized by OHCHR in Mauritania (Ms. Ladjel), Mexico (Mr. Ceriani), Tunisia (Ms. Ladjel and Mr. Tall) and Qatar (Ms. Ladjel). At the invitation of the Government of Brazil, Mr. Ceriani met the Secretary of Labor Inspection and the President of the Brazilian National Immigration Council during a regional seminar organized by ILO and held in Brazil in March 2016. The meeting focused on the ratification of the Convention by Brazil. The following Committee members reported on their activities at the twenty-third and twenty-fourth sessions: Mr. Brillantes, Mr. Carrión, Mr. Ceriani, Mr. El-Borai, Ms. Dicko, Prasad Kariyawasam, Ms. Ladjel, Mr. Núñez-Melgar and Mr. Tall.

31. The Committee sent letters to all signatory States requesting that they consider ratifying the Convention, as well as to States parties that had not yet made the declaration under article 77 of the Convention recognizing the competence of the Committee to consider individual communications. It also sent a letter to the Special Adviser on the Summit on Addressing Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants requesting that the Committee and all other treaty bodies be consulted so as to ensure that the international treaty framework for the promotion and protection of the human rights of migrants and their families is part of both the discussion and the outcome document of the Summit.

32. OHCHR held two meetings of the Steering Committee of the Global Campaign for Ratification of the Convention on Rights of Migrants in October 2015 and March 2016. The Steering Committee comprises representatives of intergovernmental agencies and leading international human rights, church, labour, migrant and women’s organizations. The discussions focused on ways and means to further promote ratification of the Convention.

## **J. Meeting with States parties**

33. In October 2015, the Chair of the Committee met with representatives of the Permanent Missions of Brazil and Costa Rica to the United Nations in New York on

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<sup>15</sup> See <http://talkmigrantrights.org>.

<sup>16</sup> See [www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Migration/Pages/PromotingTolerance.aspx](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Migration/Pages/PromotingTolerance.aspx).

promoting ratification of the Convention. During the twenty-fourth session of the Committee, the Chair and members of the Bureau also held meetings with representatives of the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, the Permanent Mission of Brazil and the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva on promoting ratification of the Convention.

## **K. Adoption of the report**

34. On 22 April 2016, during its twenty-fourth session (325th meeting), the Committee adopted the present annual report to the General Assembly.

## **II. Methods of work**

35. During its twenty-third session, the Committee discussed its long-term programme of work, which covered, inter alia: strengthening the work of the Committee, including its impact; increasing and improving coordination and synergies with other treaty bodies, special procedures and relevant offices of OHCHR; promoting participation by civil society organizations in the activities of the Committee; contributing to strengthening States' capacities relating to implementation of the Convention and reporting; and strengthening intersessional communication and outreach. The workplan also includes suggested general comments. The Committee met the Chief of the Capacity-Building and Harmonization Section of the Human Rights Treaties Division, for a briefing on the Division's new capacity-building programme and on the outcomes of the twenty-seventh meeting of the Chairs, including the San José Guidelines.

36. The Bureau also held an informal meeting in Baku in December 2015 to discuss the challenges facing the Committee, in particular the lack of ratifications of the Convention and the migration crisis, as well as the need to continue to strengthen the working methods of the Committee and increase the visibility of its work. The Committee would like to thank Mr. Taghi Zada for organizing the meeting and the Government of Azerbaijan for its generous support in that regard.

37. During its twenty-fourth session, the Committee adopted its long-term programme of work as a general framework for planning its future activities. It also met the Director of the Human Rights Treaties Division, who briefed the Committee on: the capacity-building activities of the Office; workload-related measures to be taken in the light of the budget crisis currently facing the Office, which include the further rationalization of documentation, the further greening of treaty body sessions and a clearer delineation of the roles and responsibilities of Committee members and secretariat staff; and the review of the treaty body system to be carried out by the General Assembly in 2020.

38. The Committee adopted a number of decisions at its twenty-fourth session. It adopted a decision on the translation of draft documents (annex III), the San José Guidelines (annex IV) and rule 10 bis of its rules of procedure, whereby the Committee incorporated the Guidelines on the independence and impartiality of members of the human rights treaty bodies (the Addis Ababa Guidelines), by reference, into the rules of procedure, with additional safeguards (annex V). It also appointed a Rapporteur on reprisals.

## **III. Cooperation with bodies concerned**

39. The Committee continued its cooperation with United Nations specialized agencies, intergovernmental organizations, civil society organizations and national human rights institutions. While welcoming their contributions in relation to the consideration of the

reports of States parties, the Committee encouraged them to cooperate more actively with it by submitting country-specific information. At its twenty-fourth session, the Committee adopted a statement on cooperation with national human rights institutions (annex VI).

40. The Committee continued its close cooperation with ILO, which assists the Committee in a consultative capacity, in accordance with article 74 (5) of the Convention.

41. The Committee continued its cooperation with the Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants. In addition to cooperating with the Special Rapporteur in October 2015 (see para. 23 above), at its twenty-fourth session the Committee was briefed by OHCHR on his past and upcoming activities, including his report to the General Assembly (A/70/310), in which the Special Rapporteur focused on: recruitment practices and migrant workers, recommending a comprehensive and human rights-based framework to achieve the wholesale transition towards an ethical system of recruitment; various country visits; European Union border management; and regional and bilateral trade agreements and their impact on the human rights of migrants (see also paras. 15-32 above).

42. Furthermore, the Committee discussed possible joint initiatives with other treaty bodies on issues concerning the rights of migrant workers. In that regard, during its twenty-third session the Committee met with the Committee on Enforced Disappearances to discuss the interrelated issues of migration, trafficking and enforced disappearances. Also during the twenty-third session, the Chair met with the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Those discussions will help the Committee to provide more targeted recommendations in its concluding observations on the reports of States parties. During its twenty-fourth session, the Chair and members of the Bureau met with the Working Group on Arbitrary Detention to discuss ways to strengthen cooperation, including the possibility of issuing a joint statement on International Migrants Day on the issue of migrants in detention and of drafting a joint general comment.

43. The Committee met with the Migration Team of OHCHR during both the twenty-third and twenty-fourth sessions to discuss activities relating to the promotion of the Convention, including the expert meeting on smuggling and counter-smuggling that was held in June 2015, the training provided by OHCHR and UNHCR to European Union naval forces, the OHCHR report on the situation of migrants in transit and the Global Forum on Migration and Development (see also paras. 15-32 above).

44. The Committee met with members of the Steering Committee of the Global Campaign for Ratification of the Convention on Rights of Migrants and received reports from ILO, the International Detention Coalition, the International Trade Union Confederation and Global Migration Policy Associates on their activities to promote ratification of the Convention.

45. During its twenty-fourth session, the Committee held a meeting with the Geneva Academy on its activities aimed at launching an independent research process and consultations to develop creative and innovative proposals in view of the 2020 review by the General Assembly of the treaty body system. It also met with several civil society organizations to discuss the issue of children in the context of international migration and related matters.

#### **IV. Reports of States parties under article 73 of the Convention**

46. The Committee noted with concern that, as at 22 April 2016, initial and periodic reports due under article 73 of the Convention had not yet been received from as many as 16 States parties. Annex VII contains a table showing the due dates of the reports of States parties.

## V. Consideration of reports submitted by States parties in accordance with article 74 of the Convention

### A. Adoption of lists of issues and lists of issues prior to reporting

47. At its twenty-third and twenty-fourth sessions, the Committee adopted one list of issues on the initial report of Bangladesh and five lists of issues prior to reporting in relation to States parties that had accepted to report under the simplified reporting procedure and those that had been notified, under rule 31 bis of the revised rules of procedure (see [A/67/48](#) and [Corr.1](#), para. 26).

<i>State party</i>	<i>Type of report (due since)</i>	<i>Symbol of list of issues and list of issues prior to reporting</i>
Bangladesh	Initial (1 December 2012)	<a href="#">CMW/C/BGD/Q/1</a>
Guyana	Initial (1 November 2011)	<a href="#">CMW/C/GUY/QPR/1</a>
Indonesia	Initial (1 September 2013)	<a href="#">CMW/C/IDN/QPR/1</a>
Jamaica	Initial (1 January 2010)	<a href="#">CMW/C/JAM/QPR/1</a>
Nigeria	Initial (1 November 2010)	<a href="#">CMW/C/NGA/QPR/1</a>
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Initial (1 February 2012)	<a href="#">CMW/C/VCT/QPR/1</a>

### B. Adoption of concluding observations

48. At its twenty-third session, the Committee considered the situation of Cabo Verde, as well as the initial reports of Guinea, Seychelles and Timor-Leste, in relation to the implementation of the Convention, and adopted concluding observations with respect to those States parties, in accordance with article 74 of the Convention. It should be noted that the situation in Cabo Verde was considered in the absence of a report as well as in the absence of a delegation, pursuant to rule 31 bis of the Committee's revised rules of procedures (see [A/67/48](#) and [Corr.1](#), para. 26).

49. At its twenty-fourth session, the Committee considered the initial reports of Lesotho, Mauritania and Turkey, as well as the combined second and third periodic reports of Senegal with respect to the implementation of the Convention and adopted concluding observations thereon, in accordance with article 74 of the Convention.

50. The concluding observations adopted by the Committee at its twenty-third and twenty-fourth sessions are available from the Committee's webpage<sup>17</sup> and from the Official Document System of the United Nations (<http://documents.un.org>) under the symbols indicated below.

<sup>17</sup> See [www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CMW/Pages/CMWIndex.aspx](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CMW/Pages/CMWIndex.aspx).



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<i>State party</i>	<i>Symbol of concluding observations</i>
Cabo Verde	<a href="#">CMW/C/CPV/CO/1</a>
Guinea	<a href="#">CMW/C/GIN/CO/1</a>
Lesotho	<a href="#">CMW/C/LSO/CO/1</a>
Mauritania	<a href="#">CMW/C/MRT/CO/1</a>
Senegal	<a href="#">CMW/C/SEN/CO/2-3</a>
Seychelles	<a href="#">CMW/C/SYC/CO/1</a>
Timor-Leste	<a href="#">CMW/C/TLS/CO/1</a>
Turkey	<a href="#">CMW/C/TUR/CO/1</a>

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51. Comments and observations by States parties on the concluding observations are available from the Committee's web page<sup>18</sup> under the relevant session number.

52. A list of documents issued or to be issued in connection with the twenty-third and twenty-fourth sessions of the Committee is contained in annex VIII.

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<sup>18</sup> See [www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CMW/Pages/CMWIndex.aspx](http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CMW/Pages/CMWIndex.aspx).



## Annex I

**States that have signed, ratified or acceded to the  
International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of  
All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families as at  
22 April 2016**

<i>State</i>	<i>Signature or succession~ to signature</i>	<i>Ratification, accession or succession</i>
Albania	-	5 June 2007 <sup>a</sup>
Algeria	-	21 April 2005 <sup>a</sup>
Argentina	10 August 2004	23 February 2007
Armenia	26 September 2013	-
Azerbaijan	-	11 January 1999 <sup>a</sup>
Bangladesh	7 October 1998	24 August 2011
Belize	-	14 November 2001 <sup>a</sup>
Benin	15 September 2005	-
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	-	16 October 2000 <sup>a</sup>
Bosnia and Herzegovina	-	13 December 1996 <sup>a</sup>
Burkina Faso	16 November 2001	26 November 2003
Cambodia	27 September 2004	-
Cameroon	15 December 2009	-
Cabo Verde	-	16 September 1997 <sup>a</sup>
Chad	26 September 2012	-
Chile	24 September 1993	21 March 2005
Colombia	-	24 May 1995 <sup>a</sup>
Comoros	22 September 2000	-
Congo	29 September 2008	-
Ecuador	-	5 February 2002 <sup>a</sup>
Egypt	-	19 February 1993 <sup>a</sup>
El Salvador	13 September 2002	14 March 2003 <sup>b</sup>
Gabon	15 December 2004	-
Ghana	7 September 2000	7 September 2000
Guatemala	7 September 2000	14 March 2003 <sup>c</sup>

<i>State</i>	<i>Signature or succession~ to signature</i>	<i>Ratification, accession or succession</i>
Guinea	-	7 September 2000 <sup>a</sup>
Guinea-Bissau	12 September 2000	-
Guyana	15 September 2005	7 July 2010
Haiti	5 December 2013	-
Honduras	-	9 August 2005 <sup>a</sup>
Indonesia	22 September 2004	31 May 2012
Jamaica	25 September 2008	25 September 2008
Kyrgyzstan	-	29 September 2003 <sup>a</sup>
Lesotho	24 September 2004	16 September 2005
Liberia	22 September 2004	-
Libya	-	18 June 2004 <sup>a</sup>
Madagascar	24 September 2014	13 May 2015
Mali	-	5 June 2003 <sup>a</sup>
Mauritania	-	22 January 2007 <sup>a</sup>
Mexico	22 May 1991	8 March 1999 <sup>d</sup>
Montenegro	23 October 2006 <sup>e</sup>	-
Morocco	15 August 1991	21 June 1993
Mozambique	15 March 2012	19 August 2013
Nicaragua	-	26 October 2005 <sup>a</sup>
Niger	-	18 March 2009 <sup>a</sup>
Nigeria	-	27 July 2009 <sup>a</sup>
Palau	20 September 2011	-
Paraguay	13 September 2000	23 September 2008
Peru	22 September 2004	14 September 2005
Philippines	15 November 1993	5 July 1995
Rwanda	-	15 December 2008 <sup>a</sup>
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	-	29 October 2010 <sup>a</sup>
Sao Tome and Principe	6 September 2000	-
Senegal	-	9 June 1999 <sup>a</sup>
Serbia	11 November 2004	-
Seychelles	-	15 December 1994 <sup>a</sup>

<i>State</i>	<i>Signature or succession~ to signature</i>	<i>Ratification, accession or succession</i>
Sierra Leone	15 September 2000	-
Sri Lanka	-	11 March 1996 <sup>a</sup>
Syrian Arab Republic	-	2 June 2005 <sup>a</sup>
Tajikistan	7 September 2000	8 January 2002
Timor-Leste	-	30 January 2004 <sup>a</sup>
Togo	15 November 2001	-
Turkey	13 January 1999	27 September 2004
Uganda	-	14 November 1995 <sup>a</sup>
Uruguay	-	15 February 2001 <sup>a,f</sup>
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	4 October 2011	-

<sup>a</sup> Accession.

<sup>b</sup> On 23 January 2015, El Salvador made a declaration recognizing the Committee's competence under articles 76 and 77 of the Convention to receive and consider inter-State and individual communications.

<sup>c</sup> On 11 September 2007, Guatemala made a declaration recognizing the Committee's competence under articles 76 and 77 of the Convention to receive and consider inter-State and individual communications.

<sup>d</sup> On 15 September 2008, Mexico made a declaration recognizing the Committee's competence under article 77 of the Convention to receive individual communications.

<sup>e</sup> Succession to signature.

<sup>f</sup> On 13 April 2012, Uruguay made a declaration recognizing the Committee's competence under article 77 of the Convention to receive individual communications.

## Annex II

### Membership of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families as at 22 April 2016

<i>Name of member</i>	<i>Country of nationality</i>	<i>Term expires on 31 December</i>
Mr. José Serrano <b>Brillantes</b>	Philippines	2017
Ms. Salome <b>Castellanos Delgado</b>	Honduras	2017
Mr. Pablo <b>Ceriani Cernadas</b>	Argentina	2017
Ms. Fatoumata Abdourhamane <b>Dicko</b>	Mali	2017
Ms. Jasminka <b>Dzumhur</b>	Bosnia and Herzegovina	2019
Mr. Ahmed Hassan <b>el-Borai</b>	Egypt	2019
Mr. Abdelhamid <b>el-Jamri</b>	Morocco	2019
Mr. Md. Shahidul <b>Haque</b>	Bangladesh	2017
Mr. Prasad <b>Kariyawasam</b>	Sri Lanka	2017
Ms. Khedidja <b>Ladjel</b>	Algeria	2019
Ms. Maria <b>Landazuri de Mora</b>	Ecuador	2019
Mr. Marco <b>Núñez-Melgar Maguiña</b>	Peru	2019
Mr. Ahmadou <b>Tall</b>	Senegal	2017
Mr. Can <b>Ünver</b>	Turkey	2019

### Composition of the Bureau

*Chair:* José Serrano **Brillantes**

*Vice-Chairs:* Pablo Ceriani **Cernadas**  
Fatoumata Abdourhamane **Dicko**  
Jasminka **Dzumhur**

*Rapporteur:* Abdelhamid **el-Jamri**

## Annex III

### **Decision on the translation of draft documents\***

The Committee decides that any draft document relating to its activities under the Convention and that requires discussion and adoption by the Committee, including reporting (such as draft concluding observations, draft lists of issues and lists of issues prior reporting), individual complaints, legal interpretations (such as draft general comments) and working and other matters (such as the draft annual report, draft rules of procedures and draft guidelines) should be translated and made available in the working languages of the Committee, i.e. in English, French and Spanish.

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\* Adopted by the Committee on 13 April 2016 during its twenty-fourth session.

## Annex IV

### **Decision on the Guidelines against Intimidation or Reprisals (the San José Guidelines)\***

1. It is recalled that at its twenty-second session the Committee discussed the issue of intimidation or reprisals against individuals and groups who seek to cooperate, are cooperating or have cooperated with the treaty bodies. In that regard, and noting that it had not yet addressed the issue and that the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies would be adopting policy guidelines on reprisals at their twenty-seventh meeting, the Committee decided not to appoint a rapporteur on the issue at that time but instead to refer such matters to the Bureau for review. The Bureau would then make recommendations to the Committee for a decision.
2. Noting that the Chairs of the human rights treaty bodies endorsed the Guidelines against Intimidation or Reprisals (the San José Guidelines) ([HRI/MC/2015/6](#)) at their twenty-seventh meeting, held in San José from 22 to 26 June 2015, and having examined the Guidelines, the Committee, expressed deep concern over allegations received by the treaty bodies of intimidation and reprisals against individuals and groups who seek to cooperate, are cooperating or have cooperated with the treaty bodies, hereby decides to endorse the Guidelines.
3. The Committee also decides to appoint a Rapporteur on reprisals, in accordance with the Guidelines.

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\* Adopted by the Committee on 16 April 2016 during its twenty-fourth session. Jasminka Dzumhur was appointed Rapporteur on reprisals.

## Annex V

### Decision on rule 10 bis of the rules of procedure\*

Pursuant to the recommendations contained in the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on strengthening the United Nations human rights treaty body system<sup>a</sup> and General Assembly resolution 68/268, the Committee decides to amend its rules of procedure by adopting rule 10 bis, which reads as follows:

#### Independence and impartiality of members

1. In the exercise of their functions as independent experts serving on the Committee, members shall abide by the Guidelines on the independence and impartiality of members of the human rights treaty bodies (the Addis Ababa Guidelines), which shall be incorporated, by reference, into the rules of procedures of the Committee with the below additions.
2. A member holding the nationality of one or more State party in addition to that of the nominating State party shall inform the Committee, through the Chair, of his or her dual or multiple national affiliations at the earliest opportunity.
3. In cases of a real or perceived conflict of interest with respect to a State party, a member shall not:
  - (a) Participate or influence in any way the preparation, course or outcome of dialogues, discussions or any other public meetings of the treaty body, but may be present as an observer;
  - (b) Be present during any non-public consultations, briefings or meetings with a single-country focus of his or her treaty body with other entities or partners, such as United Nations entities, national human rights institutions and civil society organizations, but may receive the relevant documentation;
  - (c) Be present during discussions, deliberations or any other non-public meetings of his or her treaty body, such as for the preparation, drafting, discussion and adoption of concluding observations or any other related treaty body documents;
  - (d) With regard to the above, the absence of the member from any public or private meeting shall not affect quorum pursuant to rule 23 of the rules of procedure of the Committee.
4. A member shall not, without the prior consent of the Committee, solicit or accept an invitation from a State party for a familiarization visit in connection with its report to the Committee.
5. A member shall not serve as a paid consultant or adviser to a State party, or any other interested party, in connection with the preparation or consideration of a State party's report.
6. Should a member participate in an individual capacity in any other human rights activities of intergovernmental bodies or in any other forums, such as panels, training

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\* Adopted by the Committee on 18 April 2016 during its twenty-fourth session.

<sup>a</sup> The Committee adopted the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on strengthening the United Nations human rights treaty body system and the Addis Ababa Guidelines at its eighteenth session. It discussed the draft rule at its twenty-second session and adopted a revised version of that draft rule at its twenty-fourth session.

courses and seminars, and should a member be the author of or contribute to any publications, he or she shall make it clear that the views expressed by him or her are his or her own and not those of the Committee, unless he or she has been expressly mandated by the Committee, in which case the member does not need to seek the approval of the Bureau or the Committee but should notify the Chair. In cases where a member has been invited to represent the Committee in an official capacity at a conference, meeting or other forum, he or she shall seek approval from the Bureau.

7. If for any reason a member considers that he or she could be facing a potential conflict of interest in any matter concerning the Committee, he or she shall inform the Chair, who may, if necessary, consult the Committee on appropriate measures to safeguard the requirements of independence and impartiality.

8. It is the duty of the Chair to remind members of the content of these guidelines if the situation so requires. It is also the duty of all Committee members to remind one another of the content of these guidelines if the situation so requires.

9. Questions arising under these guidelines shall be decided by the Committee without the participation of the member concerned, who shall not be present during such discussions. The member concerned shall be provided an opportunity to be heard by the Committee to clarify any matter relating to the present rule. Quorum shall not be affected in such cases, nor in cases where a member is not present in the room owing to a real or perceived conflict of interest.



## Annex VI

### **Statement by the Committee on cooperation with national human rights institutions**

1. The Committee and independent national human rights institutions share the common goals of protecting, promoting and fulfilling the human rights of migrant workers and members of their families. The Committee considers that its close cooperation with independent national human rights institutions is critical and is exploring ways to further interact with such institutions.

2. The Committee emphasizes that national human rights institutions should be established in compliance with the principles relating to the status of national institutions for the promotion and protection of human rights (the Paris Principles) adopted by the General Assembly in 1993 (see resolution [48/134](#), annex) and duly accredited by the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI). The Paris Principles provide guidance on the establishment, competence, responsibilities, composition, including pluralism, independence, methods of operation and quasi-judicial activities of such national bodies. Under the Paris Principles, national human rights institutions have a specific mandate to monitor and report on the compliance by their respective State with international human rights instruments, including compliance with recommendations from international human rights bodies.

3. The Committee notes that all human rights treaty bodies allow national human rights institutions with any status (A, B or C) under GANHRI to participate in most aspects of their work, including by submitting written information and attending public and/or closed briefings with treaty body members. The Committee also notes that non-members of GANHRI, for example specific ombudsman entities and other national independent mechanisms, can cooperate with the treaty bodies.

4. The Committee considers that national human rights institutions play an important role in promoting the implementation of the Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families at the national level, protecting migrant workers' human rights and enhancing public awareness of such rights. In that regard, it encourages national human rights institutions to publicize and disseminate the Convention, its concluding observations and general recommendations, as well as to monitor the State party's implementation of the Convention. As set out in the Paris Principles, national human rights institutions should also encourage ratification of the Convention in those States that are not yet party to the Convention.

5. The Committee expects national human rights institutions to ensure that their work on, inter alia, the elaboration of recommendations on laws, policies and practices, the carrying out of activities in human rights education and the consideration of individual complaints, is based on the principle of the universality of human rights, according to which every person, no matter their immigration status, has inalienable fundamental rights, and of the principle of general non-discrimination, as contained in the Convention.

6. The Committee reiterates that national human rights institutions have broad mandates to protect and promote all human rights for all persons, especially those in a situation of vulnerability, such as migrant workers and members of their families. In that regard, it encourages national human rights institutions to ensure that migrant workers and members of their families have easy access to all services for the protection of their rights provided by national human rights institutions. It also urges cooperation among national human rights institutions in States of origin, transit and destination to promote and protect

the rights of migrant workers and members of their families, in accordance with the Convention.

7. The Committee recognizes that national human rights institutions may contribute in various ways to its work throughout the reporting cycle, for example by providing comments and suggestions on a State party's report. The Committee welcomes the provision by national human rights institutions of country-specific information on States parties' reports that are before the Committee, including both qualitative and statistical data. Such information may be submitted in writing prior to the relevant session of the Committee. Such reports should be brief (no more than 10 pages long) and provide country-specific information on priority issues for the State party concerned regarding the Convention. It is also useful for such reports to include suggested questions and/or concrete recommendations for the State party, for consideration by the Committee.

8. The Committee invites national human rights institutions to attend the in-session meetings allocated to them and to provide information orally during those meetings. The Committee includes an item on meetings with national human rights institutions in the agendas of its sessions in order to enhance the visibility of input from such institutions.

9. The Committee encourages national human rights institutions to contribute to general comments under consideration, including during the days of general discussion, and to make use of the Committee's general comments in their monitoring and advocacy efforts.

10. National human rights institutions that are interested in obtaining more information on interacting with the Committee should contact the Committee secretariat by writing to [cmw@ohchr.org](mailto:cmw@ohchr.org).

## Annex VII

### Submission of reports under article 73 of the Convention as at 22 April 2016

<i>State party</i>	<i>Type of report</i>	<i>Date due</i>	<i>Date report received / date of adoption of list of issues prior to reporting under the simplified reporting procedure</i>	<i>Session at which (will be) examined</i>
Albania	Initial	1 October 2008	6 October 2009	Thirteenth (2010)
	Second	1 November 2015 <sup>a</sup>	-	-
Algeria	Initial	1 August 2006	3 June 2008	Twelfth (2010)
	Second	1 May 2012	24 November 2015	Twenty-eighth (2018)
Argentina	Initial	1 June 2008	2 February 2010	Fifteenth (2011)
	Second	1 October 2016	-	-
Azerbaijan <sup>b</sup>	Initial	1 July 2004	22 June 2007	Tenth (2009)
	Second	1 May 2011	26 October 2011	Eighteenth (2013)
	Third	1 May 2018	-	-
Bangladesh	Initial	1 December 2012	20 January 2016	Twenty-sixth (2017)
Belize	Initial	1 July 2004	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the eighteenth session (2013)	Twenty-first (2014), in the absence of a report and of a delegation
	Combined initial to third	5 September 2016	-	-
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	Initial	1 July 2004	22 January 2007	Eighth (2008)
	Second	1 July 2009	18 October 2011	Eighteenth (2013)
	Third	1 July 2018		
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Initial	1 July 2004	2 August 2007	Tenth (2009)
	Second	1 May 2011	12 August 2011	Seventeenth (2012)
	Third	1 October 2017		
Burkina Faso	Initial	1 March 2005	6 November 2012	Nineteenth (2013)
	Second	13 September 2018	-	-

<i>State party</i>	<i>Type of report</i>	<i>Date due</i>	<i>Date report received / date of adoption of list of issues prior to reporting under the simplified reporting procedure</i>	<i>Session at which (will be) examined</i>
Cabo Verde	Initial	1 July 2004	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twentieth session (2014)	Twenty-third session (2015), in the absence of a report and of a delegation
	Combined initial and second	9 September 2016	-	-
Chile	Initial	1 July 2006	9 February 2010	Fifteenth (2011)
	Second	1 October 2016		
Colombia	Initial	1 July 2004	25 January 2008	Tenth (2010)
	Second	1 May 2011	18 October 2011	Eighteenth (2013)
	Third	1 May 2018	-	-
Ecuador <sup>b</sup>	Initial	1 July 2004	27 October 2006	Seventh (2007)
	Second	1 July 2009	23 November 2009	Thirteenth (2010)
	Third	1 July 2015	List of issues prior to reporting to be adopted at the twenty-fifth session (2016)	Twenty-seventh (2017)
Egypt	Initial	1 July 2004	6 April 2006	Sixth (2007)
	Second	1 July 2009	List of issues prior to reporting to be adopted at the twenty-sixth session (2017)	-
El Salvador	Initial	1 July 2004	19 February 2007	Ninth (2008)
	Second	1 December 2010	19 February 2014	Twentieth (2014)
	Third	1 May 2019	-	-
Ghana	Initial	1 July 2004	31 August 2014	Twenty-first (2014)
	Second	5 September 2019		
Guatemala <sup>b</sup>	Initial	1 July 2004	8 March 2010	Fifteenth (2011)
	Second	1 October 2016	-	-
Guyana	Initial	1 November 2011	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-fourth session (2016)	-

<i>State party</i>	<i>Type of report</i>	<i>Date due</i>	<i>Date report received / date of adoption of list of issues prior to reporting under the simplified reporting procedure</i>	<i>Session at which (will be) examined</i>
Honduras	Initial	1 December 2006	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-second session (2015)	Twenty-fifth (2016)
Indonesia	Initial	1 September 2013	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-fourth session (2016)	Twenty-seventh (2017)
Jamaica	Initial	1 January 2010	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-third session (2015)	Twenty-sixth (2017)
Kyrgyzstan	Initial	1 January 2005	10 June 2014	Twenty-second (2015)
	Second	24 April 2020	-	-
Lesotho	Initial	1 January 2007	1 December 2015	Twenty-fourth (2016)
Libya	Initial	1 October 2005	-	-
Mali	Initial	1 October 2004	29 July 2005	Fourth (2006)
	Second	1 October 2009	1 October 2013	Twenty-fourth (2014)
	Third	1 May 2019	-	-
Mauritania	Initial	1 May 2008	13 October 2015	Twenty-fourth (2016)
Mexico <sup>b</sup>	Initial	1 July 2004	14 November 2005	Fifth (2006)
	Second	1 July 2009	9 December 2009	Fourteenth (2011)
	Third	1 April 2016	List of issues prior to reporting to be adopted at the twenty-fifth session (2016)	Twenty-eighth (2018)
Morocco	Initial	1 July 2004	12 July 2012	Nineteenth (2013)
	Second	13 September 2018	-	-
Mozambique	Initial	1 December 2014	List of issues prior to reporting to be adopted at the twenty-sixth session (2017)	-
Nicaragua	Initial	1 February 2007	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-second session (2015)	Twenty-fifth (2016)

<i>State party</i>	<i>Type of report</i>	<i>Date due</i>	<i>Date report received / date of adoption of list of issues prior to reporting under the simplified reporting procedure</i>	<i>Session at which (will be) examined</i>
Niger	Initial	1 July 2010	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-second session (2015)	Twenty-fifth (2016)
Nigeria	Initial	1 November 2010	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-third session (2015)	Twenty-sixth (2017)
Paraguay	Initial	1 January 2010	10 January 2011	Sixteenth (2012)
	Second	1 May 2017	-	-
Peru	Initial	1 January 2007	14 August 2013	Twenty-second (2015)
	Second	24 April 2020	-	-
Philippines	Initial	1 July 2004	7 March 2008	Tenth (2009)
	Second	1 May 2011	13 March 2014	Twentieth (2014)
	Third	1 May 2019	-	-
Rwanda	Initial	1 April 2010	21 October 2011	Seventeenth (2012)
	Second	1 October 2017	-	-
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Initial	1 February 2012	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-fourth session	Twenty-seventh (2017)
Senegal <sup>b</sup>	Initial	1 July 2004	1 December 2009	Thirteenth (2010)
	Second and third	1 November 2014	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twenty-second session (2015)	Twenty-fourth (2016)
Seychelles	Initial	1 July 2004		
	Second	9 September 2020	21 August 2015	Twenty-third (2015)
Sri Lanka	Initial	1 July 2004	23 April 2008	Eleventh (2009)
	Second	1 November 2011	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the eighteenth session (2013)	Twenty-fifth (2016)
Syrian Arab Republic	Initial	1 October 2006	21 December 2006	Eighth (2008)
	Second	1 October 2011	-	-

<i>State party</i>	<i>Type of report</i>	<i>Date due</i>	<i>Date report received / date of adoption of list of issues prior to reporting under the simplified reporting procedure</i>	<i>Session at which (will be) examined</i>
Tajikistan	Initial	1 July 2004	3 December 2010	Sixteenth (2012)
	Second	1 May 2017	-	-
Timor-Leste	Initial	1 May 2005		
	Second	9 September 2020	1 September 2015	Twenty-third (2015)
Turkey	Initial	1 January 2006	List of issues prior to reporting adopted at the twentieth session (2014)	Twenty-fourth (2016)
Uganda	Initial	1 July 2004		
	Second	24 April 2020	31 March 2015	Twenty-second (2015)
Uruguay	Initial	1 July 2004	30 January 2013	Twentieth (2014)
	Second	1 May 2019	-	-

<sup>a</sup> Extension requested until 1 February 2016.

<sup>b</sup> States parties that have accepted the simplified reporting procedure of the Committee by which the lists of issues prior to reporting adopted by the Committee and the written replies to the lists of issues prior to reporting shall be considered as the initial or periodic reports under article 73 (1) (b) of the Convention. The Committee may also adopt lists of issues prior to reporting in cases where it decides to review the implementation of the Convention in the absence of a report, under rule 31 bis of its rules of procedure.

## Annex VIII

### List of documents issued or to be issued in connection with the twenty-third and twenty-fourth sessions of the Committee

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Type of document</i>
CMW/C/23/1 and Corr.1	Annotated provisional agenda and programme of work (twenty-third session)
CMW/C/SR.291-306	Summary records of the twenty-third session
CMW/C/24/1	Annotated provisional agenda and programme of work (twenty-fourth session)
CMW/C/SR.307-325	Summary records of the twenty-fourth session
CMW/C/BGD/1	Initial report of Bangladesh
CMW/C/BGD/Q/1	List of issues in relation to the initial report of Bangladesh
CMW/C/CPV/QPR/1	List of issues prior to the submission of the initial report of Cabo Verde
CMW/C/CPV/CO/1	Concluding observations on Cabo Verde in the absence of a report
CMW/C/GIN/QPR/1	List of issues prior to submission of the initial report of Guinea
CMW/C/GIN/1	Initial report of Guinea under the simplified reporting procedure
CMW/C/GIN/CO/1	Concluding observations on the initial report of Guinea
CMW/C/GUY/QPR/1	List of issues prior to the submission of the initial report of Guyana
CMW/C/IND/QPR/1	List of issues prior to the submission of the initial report of Indonesia
CMW/C/JAM/QPR/1	List of issues prior to the submission of the initial report of Jamaica
CMW/C/LSO/QPR/1	List of issues prior to the submission of the initial report of Lesotho
CMW/C/LSO/1	Initial report of Lesotho under the simplified reporting procedure
CMW/C/LSO/CO/1	Concluding observations on the initial report of Lesotho
CMW/C/MRT/QPR/1	List of issues prior to the submission of the initial report of Mauritania
CMW/C/MRT/1	Initial report of Mauritania under the simplified reporting procedure



<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Type of document</i>
CMW/C/MRT/CO/1	Concluding observations on the initial report of Mauritania
CMW/C/NIG/QPR/1	List of issues prior to the submission of the initial report of Nigeria
CMW/C/VCT/QPR/1	List of issues prior to the submission of the initial report of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CMW/C/SEN/QPR/2-3	List of issues prior to the submission of the second and third periodic reports of Senegal
CMW/C/SEN/2-3	Second and third periodic reports of Senegal under the simplified reporting procedure
CMW/C/SEN/CO/2-3	Concluding observations on the second and third periodic reports of Senegal
CMW/C/SYC/QPR/1	List of issues prior to the submission of the initial report of Seychelles
CMW/C/SYC/1	Initial report of Seychelles under the simplified reporting procedure
CMW/C/SYC/CO/1	Concluding observations of the Committee on the initial report of Seychelles
CMW/C/TLS/QPR/1	List of issues prior to the submission of the initial report of Timor-Leste
CMW/C/TLS/1	Initial report of Timor-Leste under the simplified reporting procedure
CMW/C/TLS/CO/1	Concluding observations on the initial report of Timor-Leste
CMW/C/TUR/QPR/1	List of issues prior to the submission of the initial report of St Turkey
CMW/C/TUR/1	Initial report of Turkey under the simplified reporting procedure
CMW/C/TUR/CO/1	Concluding observations on the initial report of Turkey

